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SUBJ: KIDNAPPING OF PIERO COSTA OF THE COSTA
SHIPPING LINES

PIERO COSTA, 42 YEAR OLD OFFICIAL OF THE COSTA SHIPPING
EMPIRE AND ONE OF THE HEIRS OF THE COSTA FAMILY, WAS
KIDNAPPED ON THE EVENING OF JANUARY 12 AT THE GATE OF
HIS GENOA RESIDENCE. COSTA'S SEIZURE, THE SECOND SUCH
INCIDENT IN LIGURIA IN A MONTH, WAS REPORTEDLY
CARRIED OUT BY 5 OR 6 HEAVILY ARMED INDIVIDUALS AND WAS
WITNESSED BY A CONSIDERABLE NUMBER OF PASSERSBY. THE
KIDNAPPING WAS APPARENTLY WELL PLANNED AND FAULTLESSLY
EXECUTED. WITNESSES PROVIDED THE POLICE WITH THE GENOA
LICENSE PLATE NUMBER OF THE WHITE '132' FIAT IN WHICH
COSTA WAS ABDUCTED. THE POLICE ARE REPORTEDLY HOLDING
A NUMBER OF INDIVIDUALS WHO WERE PRESENT AT THE SCENE
OF THE CRIME. THERE IS NO INFORMATION, HOWEVER, ON
THE WHEREABOUTS OF THE KIDNAPPERS, THEIR VICTIM, OR
THE CAR. THE POLICE BLOCKED ALL ROUTES OUT OF GENOA
MINUTES AFTER THE INCIDENT AND THE KIDNAPPERS AND
THEIR VICTIM ARE BELIEVED TO BE STILL BOTTLED UP IN
THE CITY.

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AS I REPORTED TELEPHONICALLY TO THE EMBASSY THIS MORNING,
YESTERDAY THE COSTA LINES HEADQUARTERS IN GENOA
SUBMITTED TO THIS CONSULATE FOR VISA ISSUANCE THE
PASSPORTS OF PIERO COSTA, HIS WIFE SILVIA NEE VACCARI,
AND THEIR THREE MINOR CHILDREN, AGES 7, 6, AND 3.
L-1 AND L-2 VISAS, RESPECTIVELY, WERE ISSUED THE SAME
DAY ON THE BASIS ONF AN APPROVED PETITION VALID UNTIL

DECEMBER 1977 FILED BY THE COSTA LINE INC., 245 PARK
AVENUE, NEW YORK, N.Y. SUBSEQUENT TO MY TELEPHONE CALL
TO THE EMBASSY THIS MORNING, AN EMPLOYEE OF THE COSTA
LINE, WHO IS KNOWN TO US, ON INSTRUCTIONS FROM HIS
COMPANY, CAME TO THE CONSULATE TO PICK UP THE COSTAS
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